

Natural Livestock Farming Annual Report + Financial Statement 2020




**INTERNATIONAL
WEBINAR ON**

**"Natural Livestock Farming (NLF):
An approach to reduce use of
antimicrobials and towards
Sustainable Dairy Production"**

**DECEMBER 15, 2020
DURATION: 120 MIN**

Timing
Netherlands: 10:30AM-12.30PM
Ethiopia/Uganda: 12:30-2:30 PM
India: 03PM-05 PM




WITH INFO ON:

- Farm income and reduced costs
- Milk quality
- Ethno Veterinary Medicine - Herbal alternatives to antimicrobials
- Strategic use of local breeds
- Animal management improvements

**GOAL OF THE WEBINAR:
HIGHLIGHTING THE ACTIONS
AND IMPACT OF THE NATURAL
LIVESTOCK FARMING
INITIATIVES**

Target group: Development and Research Organizations, Academia

Moderator : Unnikrishnan Payyappalli

PROGRAMME:

WELCOME	HESTER FORPEN
OPENING REMARKS BY MODERATOR	UNNIKRISHNAN PAPPAPPALLI
NLF INTERNATIONAL: OVERVIEW OF CHALLENGES, GOALS AND STRATEGY	KATRIEN VAN'T HOOFT
NLF-ETHIOPIA - ACTIVITIES, PARTNERS AND IMPACT IN ETHIOPIA	GETACHEW CERRU
NLF-INDIA - ACTIVITIES, PARTNERS AND IMPACT IN INDIA	M.N.S HAIR
NLF-NETHERLANDS - ACTIVITIES, PARTNERS AND IMPACT IN THE NETHERLANDS	GERDIEN KLEIJER
NLF-UGANDA - ACTIVITIES, PARTNERS AND IMPACT IN UGANDA	ELIZABETH KATUSHABE
DISCUSSION	UNNIKRISHNAN PAPPAPPALLI
FINAL WORDS	HESTER FORPEN

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Foundation for Natural Livestock Farming
NLF-Ethiopia / Ethiopian Society of Animal Production
NLF-India / GLOHMSIWA
NLF Netherlands / Platform Natuurlijke Veehouderij
NLF-Uganda / Liake Mbura Farmers' Cooperative Society

Annual report and financial statement 2020

Foundation Natural Livestock Farming
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Starting date: 4 October 2017

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1. Annual report

The Foundation for Natural Livestock Farming is promoting the collaboration between Dutch, Indian, Ethiopian and Ugandan partners – with the general aim to promote knowledge related to sustainable cattle health and the focus of reducing the use of antibiotics and other chemical veterinary drugs in livestock production. The ultimate aim is to improve food security, environment and the quality of life on basis of healthy animals and healthy animal products world-wide.

The Foundation works to achieve these goals by searching for funds in order to promote and finance natural livestock farming initiatives worldwide. Other activities include structural international cooperation, joint training activities, exchanges between farmers, veterinarians and other experts, as well as promoting local pilots, knowledge and experience in the field of natural livestock farming. The Foundation has no profit motive and since January counts with the ANBI status under Dutch law, under fiscal identification number 8580 02 528.

Summary of partner activities 2020:

In the year 2020 NLF has been growing in terms of activities in each of the participating partners, with numerous outstanding results. There is a growing proof of concept that our NLF-5 layer strategy has positive effects for both farmers, dairy industries and governments. Not surprisingly, in 2020 the process of upscaling in each of the has continued:

- In India, the Ethno-veterinary training program of GLOHMSIWA/NLF India together with TDU has been upscaled at national level, through the National Dairy Development Board (NDDB), potentially reaching 35 million farmers
- In Ethiopia, the pilot of the Ethiopian Society of Animal Production (ESAP) with our NLF 5-layer strategy has proven highly successful, and was finalized December 2020. The activities will be upscaled through an agreement between ESAP and the SNV dairy program, to potentially 70.000 farmers.
- In Uganda, the funds supported the expansion of Lake Mburo Farmers Society with yoghurt making from the milk cooling tank recently set up, for local marketing. Moreover, local fences were established to boost the Ankole Cattle local breed conservation program.

- In the Netherlands the courses for veterinarians and farmers on safe use of herbal products and promotion of herbs in grasslands were expanded, while extra funds were generated from the Ministry of Agriculture.

Moreover, there is growing evidence that our strategy also increases resilience for farmers, especially relevant in times of limitations due to COVID-19. Meanwhile, there is a urgent need to involve more young professionals, including PhD and MSc programmes into the NLF network and research & field activities.

Goals and activities NLF International 2020

In 2020, we defined our goals as NLF International as:

1. International organization and coordination, including further professionalization of NLF as an organization – with emphasis on NLF country registration
2. Establish partnerships and find long-term funding for expanding activities within the four countries
3. Increase visibility through PR and networking, incl. webinars

Goal 1: Further professionalization of NLF as an organization

The year 2020 was hampered by the effects of the COVID pandemic. Still, within the limitations, many significant results were achieved. In 2020 we have went through the process of dividing the board of NLF Netherlands (Platform Natuurlijke Veehouderij) and NLF International.

The administrative board of NLF International was expanded with new members: Unnikrishnan Payyappalli from India (chair), Arjen Dijkstra from Netherlands (Treasurer) and Taffese Mesfin from Ethiopia (member). The administrative board and executive started coordinating activities, and dividing responsibilities. In 2020, we also started the process of renewing the bylaws of NLF International, in order to legally register NLF Foundation with a *one-tier board* - with executive and non-executive (administrative) board members.

PROFESSIONALIZATION		Realized 2020
NLF International coordination	International NLF board	Boards PNV and NLF divided NLF board functioning well with new members
Registration/strengthen NLF per country		
	NLF India	NLF India functioning, under GLOHMSIWA
	NLF Ethiopia	Seeking national registration as NLF Ethiopia
	NLF Uganda	NLF Uganda functioning under Lake Mburo Farmers Cooperative Society
	NLF Netherlands	NLF Netherlands formally registered and functioning
Coordination meetings		E-meetings between executive and non-executive (admin) board
		No face-to-face meetings due to COVID restrictions

Goal 2: Establish partnerships and find long-term funding for expanding activities

In 2020 the impact of our activities at field level in terms of farmer income, improved cattle health, improved milk quality and reduced use of antibiotics and other chemicals has become very clear in the different country pilots, especially in India and Ethiopia, and to a lesser extent in the Netherlands and Uganda. Moreover, in Ethiopia a survey was done under the participating farmers in the ARF project, to establish the importance of NLF strategy under COVID-19 circumstances (outcome to be presented)

In 2020 all partners continued seeking national funding for continuation of country activities. Moreover, they have received limited funding from NLF Foundation for setting up NLF at national level. We have also worked to find extra funding from Dutch charity organizations for the continuation and expansion of the country pilots as well as international programs, together with Betteke de Gaay-Fortman. This resulted in a clearer outline of our organizational profile, which will hopefully lead to extra funding support.

FUNDRAISING		Realized 2020
Overall NLF		
	Approaching charities	Lloyds Register Foundation / Unorthodox Philanthropy
	Collaboration with int. organizations working with dairy farmers – focus on Africa	NDDB India, SNV in Ethiopia
	Collaboration with int. organizations in countries with intensive dairy farming	-
	Attract funding for PhD and MSc students	-
NLF country chapters funding		
	NLF India	Funding for wide upscaling at national India level to 35 million farmers (incl. NDDB, Min.Education)
		NLF funds used for: e-meetings, webinars website GLOHMSIWA-NLF India
	NLF Ethiopia	Funding for upscaling to 70.000 farmers through ESAP – SNV agreement
	NLF Uganda	Expansion of dairy society with milk cooling tank and local marketing; Start with local breed support.
		NLF funding used for: e-meetings, natural fence, yoghurt making.
	NLF Netherlands	Improved funding position – incl. Ministry of Agriculture.

Goal 3: Increase visibility through PR and networking

In 2020 we have started to increase our visibility by sharing the impact of the country pilots to other professional organizations through webinars, e-list etc. Expanding the linkages with professional organizations and governments is crucial to further upscale the NLF work and funding.

PR-COMMUNICATION		Realized 2020
Website	NLF int. website	Upgrade NLF int website
		NLF-India website with GLOHMSIWA
		NLF-NL own website in Dutch
E-list		Started Dec 2020 w. 70 members
Webinars	Organize NLF country + joint NLF webinars	1 webinar NLF-India/TDU 1 ESAP webinar 1 NLF joint webinar
	Participate in strategic webinars	Various incl. Global Agenda for Sustainable Livestock (GASL)
Scientific articles	Scientific articles	One published (Nair)
Participation in int. conferences	Participation and presentations during int. conferences	Several international workshops on NLF planned – but cancelled due to COVID crisis (IFOAM, Vet Society, AMR conference)
Film		Short film in Ethiopia

On behalf of the General (Administrative) Board of the Foundation for Natural Livestock Farming,

Unnikrishnan Payyappalli,
President
Utrecht, March 2021

2. NLF General Board

The following persons constitute the Administrative (non-executive) Board of the Foundation for Natural Livestock Farming:

1. Dr. Unikrishnan Payyappalli - President
2. Hester .J. Foppen – Secretary
3. Arjen Dijkstra – Treasurer
4. Taffese Mesfin, DVM - member

The following persons constitute the Executive Board of the Foundation for Natural Livestock Farming:

1. Katrien van t Hooft, DVM - secretariat
2. Dr Getachew Gebru
3. Dr M.N.B. Nair
4. Mrs. Elizabeth Katushabe

The board has met in total 7 times during 2020, on the following dates:

06 February 2020
25 March 2020
28 April 2020
12 June 2020
18 August 2020
28 October 2020
22 December 2020

3. Financial Statement 2020

Balance per 31 December 2019: 37.011 Euro

Balance per 31 December 2020: 16.391 Euro

OVERVIEW OPERATING ACCOUNT OVER 2020

Entries: 30.000 Euro
Costs: 48.473 Euro
Result: - 18.473 Euro

Balance sheet NLF - December 31, 2020					
Income and expenditures 2020					
Income					
Donations			€	30.000,00	
Total			€	30.000,00	
Expenditures					
Expenditures on objectives			€	20.569,00	
Staff			€	21.855,00	
Other expenditures			€	6.013,00	
Total			€	48.437,00	
Balance sheet December 31, 2020				December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019
Current assets					
Cash and Cash equivalent			€	16.391,00	€ 37.011,00
Total			€	16.391,00	€ 37.011,00
Reserves and liabilities					
Reserve			€	16.391,00	€ 37.011,00
Total			€	16.391,00	€ 37.011,00

Principles

General

This annual report was generated according to the Guidelines for Annual Reports C1 for “Small non-profit organizations”. The costs and benefits are allocated to the year to which they relate. Profits are only taken into account when realized before the date of the final balance. Obligations and possible losses that originate before the end of the year under review are taken into account if they have become known before drawing up the annual account.

Activities

The Foundation for Natural Livestock Farming was established on October 4, 2017, and is registered in the Trade Register of the Netherlands under number: 69764654. The ANBI status was acknowledge since 1 January 2018, under fiscal identification number 8580 02 528.

The activities of the Foundation are coordinated from the office in Maarsbergen and are financed, amongst others, by one private donor. Activities of the Foundation include fund raising to support initiatives in the field of natural livestock farming globally. Other activities include structural international collaboration, joint training, exchanges between farmers, veterinarians and other experts, promote and implement local pilots, and promote knowledge and experience in the field of natural livestock farming.

Financial instruments

The financial instruments include primary financial instruments, such as receivables and payables, and financial derivatives. For the principles of the primary financial instruments we refer to the treatment per balance sheet item.

General reserve

The general reserve is freely available to the NLF General Board to spend on the formulated goals and activities. The results of the financial year is mutated to the general reserve.

Financial income

The income consists of private donations. The costs and benefits are allocated to the year to which they relate, starting from historical costs. Allocated contributions are realized when they are received.

Taxes

In view of the activities, the Foundation for Natural Livestock Farming is not regarded as an entrepreneur for corporate income tax. The Foundation is therefore not liable to VAT.

Other data

Results

The results for the financial year 2020 are added to the general reserve of the Foundation.

Payment of Board Members

Members of the General Board of the Foundation for Natural Livestock Farming do not receive any remuneration.